

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN SOUTHERN DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

Case:2:21-cr-20045 Judge: Berg, Terrence G. MJ: Altman, Kimberly G.

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INDICTMENT

THE GRAND JURY CHARGES:

COUNT ONE

(21 U.S.C. § 841(a)(1) – Possession With the Intent to Distribute a Controlled Substance (Methamphetamine))

On or about August 14, 2020, in the Eastern District of Michigan and elsewhere, defendant PRESTON PIERCE, did knowingly possess with the intent to distribute a controlled substance, in violation of Title 21, United States Code, Section 841(a)(1).

Pursuant to Title 21, United States Code, §841(b)(1)(B)(viii), it is further alleged that this violation involved a mixture or substance containing 50 grams or more of a mixture and substance containing a

detectable amount of methamphetamine, a Schedule II controlled substance.

COUNT TWO

(21 U.S.C. § 841(a)(1) – Possession With the Intent to Distribute a Controlled Substance (Fentanyl))

On or about August 14, 2020, in the Eastern District of Michigan, the defendant, PRESTON PIERCE, knowingly and intentionally possessed with intent to distribute a controlled substance, to wit: a mixture and substance containing a detectable amount of N-phenyl-N-[1-(2-phenylethyl)-4-piperidinyl] propanimede, commonly known as fentanyl, a Schedule II controlled substance, all in violation of Title 21, United States Code, Sections 841(a)(1), (b)(1)(C).

COUNT THREE

(21 U.S.C. § 841(a)(1) - Possession With the Intent to Distribute a Controlled Substance (Heroin))

On or about August 14, 2020, in the Eastern District of Michigan, the defendant, PRESTON PIERCE, knowingly and intentionally possessed with intent to distribute a controlled substance, to wit: a mixture and substance containing a detectable amount of heroin, a Schedule I controlled substance, all in violation of Title 21, United

States Code, Sections 841(a)(1), (b)(1)(C).

FORFEITURE ALLEGATIONS

(21 U.S.C. § 853, and 28 U.S.C. § 2461)

The allegations contained in this Indictment are incorporated by reference herein to allege forfeiture pursuant to the provisions of Title 21, United States Code, Section 853, Title 18, United States Code, Section 924(d), and Title 28, United States Code, Section 2461(c).

Title 21 Offense. Upon conviction of a Title 21 Offense charged in this Indictment, the Defendant shall forfeit to the United States: (a) any property constituting, or derived from, any proceeds which the Defendant obtained, directly or indirectly, as the result of such violation, and (b) any property which the Defendant used or intended to be used in any manner or part to commit or to facilitate the commission of such violation, and/or any property involved in such violation.

Substitute Assets. Pursuant to Title 21, United States Code, Section 853(p), as incorporated by Title 18, United States Code, Section 982(b), Defendant shall forfeit substitute property, up to the value of the property described above, if, by any act or omission of the defendant, the property described above cannot be located upon the

exercise of due diligence; has been transferred, sold to or deposited with a third party; has been placed beyond the jurisdiction of the court; has been substantially diminished in value; or has been commingled with other property which cannot be divided without difficulty.

THIS IS A TRUE BILL.

s/Grand Jury Foreperson
GRAND JURY FOREPERSON

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Dated: January 27, 2021

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